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I think this settlement does not do enough. It is also critical that Microsoft also open up their proprietary file formats to allow compitition to their Office product. There can be no true compitition until users have an actual choise of what operating system they use. For example, most business users are required to use Microsoft Word to view and create documents. If it is a standard that business people use Microsoft products to communicate then the file formats should be governed by standards committees like other communication standards.

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